



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: *"My motto was to keep swinging. Whether I was in a slump or feeling badly or having trouble off the field, the only thing to do was to keep swinging."*
~Hank Aaron

April 10, 2013

ReStore Marketing Campaign

The Habitat for Humanity ReStore is seeking volunteer groups for its door-to-door marketing campaign to increase awareness about the ReStore. The campaign will last until July 31, with groups of up to ten volunteers going door-to-door to hang informational doortags. The ReStore sells gently used home goods to the public and sponsors Habitat homes with the proceeds. Minimum age is 16. If interested in reserving one or more four-hour shifts, please contact Sandy Myers, ReStore Volunteer Coordinator, at (812) 331-2660 or myers@monroecountyhabitat.org. (www.monroecountyhabitat.org)

Food for homebound seniors

Area 10 Agency on Aging food pantry volunteers serve over 200 homebound elders and people with disabilities in Monroe and Owen Counties, but many more are waitlisted due to a shortage of volunteers to deliver the food. Volunteer routes take one to two hours each month, on the second, third or fourth Wed. or Thurs. Other ways to assist include weekly shopping for the pantry at the Hoosier Hills Food Bank, calling clients to remind them when their food is arriving, and substituting as a packer or deliver driver. Volunteers can also organize a food drive. Minimum age is 16, 8 if accompanied by an adult. Families are welcome! Please contact Rebecca Nunley at (812) 876-3383 or rnunley@area10agency.org. (www.area10agency.org)

Spring Planting Day – April 20

Spring Planting Day at the Bloomington Community Orchard will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 20. Volunteers will plant pears in their espalier circle and generally spruce up the orchard before spring is in full bloom. They will break bread as well as breaking ground, so volunteers are asked to bring their favorite potluck finger foods, as well as a plate and cup. Additional work days are planned from 1 to 4 p.m. on April 13 and 27. Minimum age is 12; no age restrictions if with an adult. Please contact Amanda Werhane at getinvolved@bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org. (www.bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org)

PALS Volunteer Training – April 27

People and Animal Learning Services (PALS) offers regular trainings for new volunteers throughout the year for those interested in becoming involved in therapeutic riding. The next training will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sat., April 27. Volunteers help children and adults with disabilities learn how to ride horses. Responsibilities include leading horses and side-walking riders during lessons. Volunteers also help groom, saddle, train, care for horses and help with barn chores. Volunteers must attend a training and be over the age of 16, but no horse experience is necessary. A commitment of 3 to 4 hours per week is requested. Please contact Taryn Lyman at (812) 360-1342 or taryn@palstherapy.org. (www.palstherapy.org)

Arts Fair on the Square – June 22

The Bloomington Playwrights Project's Arts Fair on the Square will be held on Sat. June 22. This juried art show features over 80 regional and national artists and craftspeople on the picturesque grounds surrounding the Monroe County Courthouse. The fair also includes interactive arts activities for children and entertainment from local artists for the whole family. Flexible hours for a variety of volunteer positions are available. These opportunities include check-in and setup, traffic control, information desk, children's art center, check-out and tear-down, and photography. Minimum age is 16; 12 if with an adult. Please contact Lee Burckes at (812) 334-1188 or manager@artsfair.org. (www.artsfair.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Bloomington Meals on Wheels

Provides nutritious meals to those unable to cook for themselves due to accident, illness or disability, whether temporary or permanent. To grant a wish, contact Kathy Romy at mow@bloomingtonhospital.org or (812) 323-4982. (www.bloomingtonmealsonwheels.org)

Wishes: small coolers, postage stamps, new greeting cards (birthday, thank you, and sympathy)

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

